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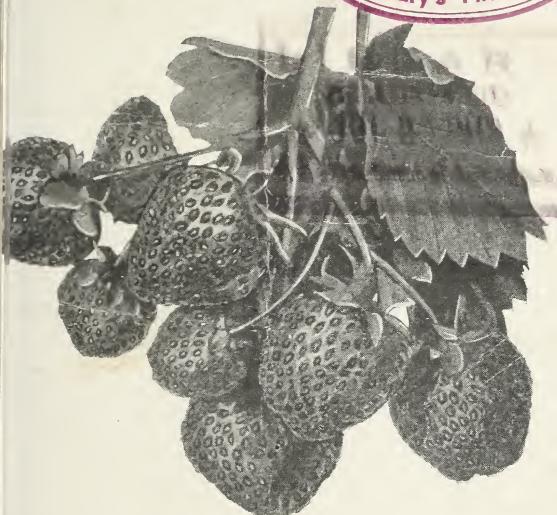


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POT GROWN STRAWBERRY PLANTS READY EARLY IN JULY

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53 BARCLAY ST. through to 54 PARK PLACE
NEW YORK

THORBURN'S POT-GROWN STRAWBERRY PLANTS

Pot-grown are more expensive, but in the end are cheaper to buy than ordinary layer plants. There is practically no danger of damage in transit, as the earth is securely packed around the roots of each individual plant. The year after planting the ordinary layer kind, the yield is only a partial one—whereas with the pot-grown plants, practically a full crop is obtained the very next season. An important point in favor of the pot-grown is that transplanting does not retard their growth. We recommend the pot-grown plants and only offer varieties that are considered best of existing sorts.

CULTURAL DIRECTIONS

The Strawberry may be grown to perfection on any land that will produce a crop of potatoes, corn, peas or other vegetables. Almost any soil will answer, unless it be dry sand or an undrained bed of muck, but the best results are obtained from a dark, rich loose loam with a clay sub-soil, well tilled. Strawberries should not be planted on newly plowed sod ground, nor in land that water remains on after rain. Such land bakes, and consequently the soil is coarse and lumpy. Usually the plants will continue to bear for five or six years, but the first and second crops are generally the best. Thus it is the custom to plow up strawberry beds after they have borne from one to three crops. The better the land and the more intensive the cultivation, the shorter the rotation.

The plants should be set 15 inches apart in rows 4 feet apart; 100 plants will set out 4 rows, 30 feet long. For horse cultivation they should be set 2 feet apart in rows 5 feet apart. Firm the plants well in the soil, keep thoroughly cultivated and cut off all runners. In the middle of December cover the beds to a depth of 3 inches with salt meadow hay, straw or leaves. In April, as soon as they show an indication of growth,

push the covering away from the plants to allow them to come up through. This "mulching" protects the plants from the cold in winter and the heat in summer, keeps the fruit clean and prevents the growth of weeds.

The blossom of Strawberries are either staminate (perfect flowering), or are destitute of stamens and are termed pistillate (imperfect flowering). Pistillate varieties must have a row of some perfect flowered sort, flowering at the same time, planted every 4 or 6 feet apart from them; or, better still, every third or fourth plant in the row, to pollenize their blossoms.

Pot plants will be ready for delivery early in July, and if set out any time before the middle of September will bear a full crop next season under ordinary favorable conditions. The earlier the plants are set out the larger they will grow and produce larger crops the next Spring.

STANDARD VARIETIES

PRICES

Best quality pot grown plants, well rooted:

Per doz. of any one kind..... \$.75

Not less than 50 of any one variety at 100 rate.

Except where otherwise quoted.

See page 6 for prices of Fall-Bearing or "Everbearing" Varieties

If ordered to be sent by parcel post, add postage at zone rates. Weight when packed

1 dozen, 10 ounces $100 \ 3\frac{1}{2} \ \text{lbs}.$

EARLY

EARLY JERSEY GIANT (Van Fleet No. 10). Preeminently the finest of the early varieties. It is brilliant scarlet-crimson in color, and exceptionally firm—

by far the firmest of all early varieties.

Berries very large, conical with pointed tips, colors all over at once, has delightful aroma and rich, mild, wild Strawberry flavor; exceedingly showy and attractive. Blossoms, large, open, rather late and staminate. Long pliant stems and a heavy yielder. The largest and best very early variety.

\$1.00 per doz.

\$6.00 per 100

CAMPBELL'S EARLY. A variety from Cumberland County, N. J., the home of the Gandy, and is claimed to be as valuable as an early variety as is the Gandy as a late one. The berries are exceptionally uniform in size and shape, bluntly conical, firm for an early variety and bright flame crimson in color.

JOHN H. COOK (Van Fleet No. 7). "In some properties, this is the finest of all the wonderful Van Fleet Hybrids. It is an enormous cropper, ripening with the second early varieties—not so early as Early Jersey Giant. The berries are nearly round though somewhat irregular in shape, of exquisite quality, blood red in color and very firm. Of superlative excellence for the home garden, it is also of untold value to the market grower."

\$1.50 per doz.

\$8.00 per 100

SUCCESS. (Perfect Flowers.) One of the earliest. The berries are beautiful in appearance, large, and colored a bright crimson. A vigorous grower, very productive. This is the best of the large early varieties.

MID-SEASON

BARRYMORE. (Perfect Flowers.) This variety resembles Marshall, but is a more prolific bearer. BRANDYWINE. (Perfect Flowers.) An excellent tasting berry that will succeed on deep, rich soil. The fruit is large and handsome in appearance, roundish conical in shape and colored a glossy crimson. A prolific sort with a long fruiting season.

EDMUND WILSON. A striking unique Strawberry—not a commercial variety. The plants resemble potato vines in size and vigor; the berries are very large. Form globular or bluntly heart shaped, of deep maroon color, with smooth surface and quite firm. Very prolific.

\$1.50 per doz.

\$8.00 per 100

HUNDRED DOLLAR. A valuable midseason variety. The plant is a strong vigorous grower, and among the most prolific. The berries average very large, the color is bright scarlet and the quality mild, sweet and luscious. It is not very firm—not firm enough for long shipment.

POCOMOKE. Supposed to be a seedling of the old Wilson crossed by the Sharpless. The berry is round, conical and resembles the old Wilson but is much larger. One of the best varieties, not only for its enormous productiveness, but on account of its beauty, adaptability to all soils, its foliage, enduring the dry, hot weather, its large size, its deep color, its firmness and high flavor. Perfect blossoms and is an enormous yielder of large red berries.

MARSHALL. (Perfect Flowers.) This is without a doubt the finest flavored berry, and coupled with its enormous size, long since made it the standard fancy variety.

McKINLEY. (Perfect Flowers.) The extra large berries of this type are wonderfully sweet in flavor. A vigorous grower and a great yielder. The fact that the berries are only moderately firm, while prohibiting their being shipped to any great extent, makes them excellent for garden culture.

SENATOR DUNLAP. (Perfect Flowers.) Firm, fruit delicious, good size, and handsome in appearance; will ripen a good crop under almost any condition of drought or neglect. Mid-season to late.

WM. BELT. (Perfect Flowers.) This variety is known as the standard for high quality; its rather long, conical shaped fruit is a brilliant glossy red. It is a heavy yielder and the berries ripen all over without green tips. Valuable either for home or market purposes.

LATE

CHESAPEAKE. (Perfect Flowers.) One of the best, berries very large and of fine form, as late as "Gandy," in flavor ranks with "Marshall" and "William Belt."

\$1.00 per doz.

\$6.00 per 100

GANDY. (Perfect Flowers.) A well known standard market berry; handsome glossy crimson color, of fine form and flavor. The plants are strong and compact growers and produce large sized regular berries right up to the last picking. This variety should not be planted on dry sandy soil, but it will thrive on practically every other kind of land. It is one of the best market sorts.

JOE (Joe Johnson, Big Joe). Is a midseason to late variety, and very productive of very large, beautiful berries, with large bright green calyx. In flavor it is one of the best, is a perfect table and canning Strawberry, and a superior shipper.

This most valuable Strawberry ripens with the Chesapeake, equal it in size, firmness and yield, surpasses it in color and flavor, but unlike it, succeeds upon almost all soils, and under all conditions—hence

it is more valuable.

LUPTON. This valuable late variety is undoubtedly a seedling of the Gandy and is superior to it. Berries large, bluntly conical, bright flame color, glossy and retain their color after picking. It is well nigh ideal in growth of plant and vigor.

\$1.00 per doz.

\$6.00 per 100

For prices on above Berries see page 3.

EVERBEARING OR FALL FRUITING STRAWBERRIES

Best quality pot-grown plants, supply limited

\$1.25 per dozen

\$7.00 per 100

ADVANCE. In character it is somewhat like the Onward, with large, luscious, handsome berries that are freely produced.

FORWARD. The berries are larger than those of any other fall-bearing variety, are brighter in color, of superior quality and firm, are bright red and of excellent quality.

\$1.50 per doz.

\$8.00 per 100

PROGRESSIVE. (Perfect Flowers.) One of the best fall bearing sorts, strong grower, berries round, deep crimson. It begins to ripen with second early sorts. Keeping on bearing fruit until late fall. Very productive.

SUPERB. (Perfect Flowers.) A healthy grower, makes plants freely. The berries are a rich blood red from surface to centre. Yields fruits only on parent plants.

BLACKBERRIES and RASPBERRIES BOOKED for DELIVERY AFTER OCTOBER 1st. PRICES ON APPLICATION.

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\$0.25 for 10 \$1.50 per 100 GRAND DUCHESSE (White)

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